Annex "A," Subparagraph 1c

Sociological Background

SIZE AND GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION

131 101 Except for Iceland, Finland is the northernmost free state in the world. About one-fifth of its area lies above the Arctic Circle. It is situated between the 60th and the 70th degrees of latitude, its greastest length being 700 miles, its greatest east-to-west distance only 375 miles. The total area of Finland is 337,113 square kilometers (130,159 square miles), of which about 10 per cent is water. Thus Finland is the sixth largest country in Europe, surpassed only by France, Germany, Spain, Sweden and European Russia.

161 The population of Finland on 1 January 1955 was 4,215,000 people. The density of the

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Map: The Boundaries of Finland.

The boundary between Russia, Sweden and Finland was extended to the Arctic Ocean in 1595, but these northern areas were not considered a part of Finland but, instead, were regarded as Swedish Lappmark.

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